



# WISE UP

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## Key Dates

- **School Reopens**  
Tuesday  
3 September
- **Special Mention Assembly**  
at 2.30 pm every  
Friday

## Thought of the Week

*"Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened."*

DR SEUSS



This year has been absolutely action-packed at school and it has been my enormous pleasure to see our children make great steps forward in their learning and maturity. We've achieved our best Year Six SATs scores in four years, beating national benchmarks in every area and we've seen the continuation of our high-level commitment to sport and performing arts. I'd like to thank you for your continued support and involvement with school over the year – we are very fortunate to be so well supported by our community! Our team are already gearing up for next year but, in the mean time, we wish you a safe and happy summer and we look forward to seeing you in September.

**Mr Williams**

### VERY IMPORTANT ALLERGY INFORMATION

**In September, we have a new child starting school who has been diagnosed with a severe allergy to nuts.**

For data protection and confidentiality purposes, it is not standard practice for a school to share information about / names of children with specific medical issues. However, after speaking with parents, we have decided that we should advise all parents in school that Lola who will be in Little Owls in September has allergies which are severe and potentially life-threatening and when affected, she would require an epipen to bring any adverse allergic reaction under control. Diagnosis of allergies requiring an epipen should not be taken lightly; in very serious circumstances where a severe reaction is triggered, the outcome can be fatal.

We hope that you will understand the need for this very important information and join us in making the school as safe an environment as possible for Lola. Therefore, **we ask that all parents/carers refrain from sending any nuts/ peanuts/nut based products into school, in children's pack ups or when other food items are sent into school,** (for example for Christmas parties or to celebrate birthdays etc.) We will send a reminder letter on the first day of September so you can help us to make Hambleton nut-free.

### Final Stockbridge Visit

Snowy Owls completed their third and final visit to Stockbridge Technology Centre, Cawood, on Wednesday 17 July accompanied by Mr Williams, Miss Middlebrook and Mrs Anderson. The final visit involved harvesting the potatoes and courgettes that they planted on previous visits, visiting the glasshouses/poly-tunnels to taste growing raspberries, tomatoes and cucumbers, learning about modern methods of using LED lights to grow plants, as well as tasting cheeses and fruits from around the world and guessing their countries of origin. Snowy Owls have thoroughly enjoyed their three visits to Stockbridge since March and have learned a lot about the Science and technology involved in planting, growing and harvesting



fruit and vegetables today!

### **Uniform**

I have spoken to the children in school today to let them know that we will be tightening up on school uniform expectations from September. If you are buying uniform over the summer, please bear the following in mind:

- Every child must have a pair of black pumps for indoor wear and indoor PE
- Any trousers or shorts (for boys or girls) must be grey, rather than black – leggings are not permitted
- Polo shirts must be white or red; shirts must be white
- For PE all children must have a pair of black shorts and a red t-shirt
- Only stud earrings should be worn and these should be removed for PE. Other than watches, no other jewellery is permitted

Please don't forget to label all new uniform as we still manage to generate hundreds of pounds worth of lost property over the year! If you have any other questions on uniform, please don't hesitate to contact myself or Mrs Shaw in September.

### **Goodbye Mrs Anger**

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Anger and we wish her all the best for a long and happy retirement. On Tuesday we held a whole school outdoor picnic on a lovely sunny day and enjoyed music and country dancing to celebrate Mrs Anger's contribution to school. We then presented gifts from staff and parents at the Leavers Assembly and sang a couple of Mrs Anger's favourite songs. A message from Mrs Anger " *A big thank you for all the kind wishes and gifts. I will miss my Hambleton family. No more Danger! Danger! There goes Mrs Anger!*"

### **Australian Pen Pal Link and Visitor**

Snowy Owls have established a writing link with an Australian Year Three class through the daughter of an ex-Hambleton pupil who emigrated there. Each of Snowy Owls have been written to by their Aussie pen pal and have now written a letter back! The family visited school on 10 July and Year 4 and 5 pupils asked many interesting questions to learn about life in Australia. We are hoping to continue this pen pal link throughout next year!



### **Summer Fair**

FOHS organised a very successful and enjoyable Summer Fair . A big thank you to ALL the volunteers who helped under the guidance of our very enthusiastic Chairperon, Jamie Morrison.

### **Selby Abbey 950 Years Parade**

Snowy Owls have been chosen to create and perform a farming motif to depict Selby's agricultural heritage in the spectacular parade to celebrate 950 years of Selby Abbey on Wednesday 31 July! 12 children are participating in the parade and have also had the opportunity to work on silk painting banners for the parade. There are numerous free arts workshops that children can attend linked to this in the first week of the holidays!

### **School Water Bottles**

We have taken the decision as a school not to provide plastic school water bottles from September because of their environmental impact. We have considered alternative types of bottles but these all come with a cost that school cannot afford, nor do we wish to ask FOHS for them as they are working so hard to meet the new IT equipment target. We do however know how important it is for children to be hydrated and ask that parents kindly provide a drinks bottle which the children can use for WATER ONLY. Thank you.

## School Hours

We remind all parents that our school hours are 8.45 am to 3 pm. Children should be sat at their desk ready to work at 8.45 am please. School doors open at 8.35 am to ensure we have a prompt start to the day.

## Interview with Crossing Patrol Officer

Last week a couple of our Year 6 children invited Miss Thornton, our lovely Crossing Patrol Officer into school to be interviewed. These are the questions and answers :



- 1) **Do you enjoy your job?** *Yes. I love my job working with the children and families of Hambleton.*
- 2) **Are the drivers ever rude to you?** *Yes. They don't always stop for me unfortunately. Miss Thornton told us that it is a criminal offence not to stop for the crossing patrol and lots of drivers don't realise this.*
- 3) **How long have you been a Crossing Patrol Officer?** *Since January and it's my first time working as a Crossing Patrol Officer*
- 4) **Have you ever had a different job?** *Yes I am currently the head dinner lady at a local school and I used to be the cleaner too.*
- 5) **Are the people that are crossing polite?** *Yes they are always polite and always say thank you. She also advised us that anyone can use the Crossing Patrol to cross the road during her working hours.*
- 6) **How many children cross using the CPO?** *Miss Thornton didn't know the number but told us that many more now use the Crossing Patrol than used to when she first started.*
- 7) **What time does the CP operate?** *In a morning 8.15 am to 9 am and in an afternoon 2.50 pm to 3.25 pm*

Miss Thornton is very kind and friendly and loves her job. She told us that she is always told not to put herself in danger.

Children should always dismount from their scooters or bikes to cross the road but they do not always do this. *By Mary & Chloe (Hambleton CE Primary School)*

After being interviewed, Miss Thornton visited Little Owls and they enjoyed seeing her and chatting to her.

**CAR DRIVERS - DON'T FORGET THAT IT IS AN OFFENCE NOT TO STOP FOR A CROSSING PATROL**

**PLEASE HELP TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE – WE WAITED A LONG TIME TO GET A REPLACEMENT CROSSING PATROL OFFICER IN HAMBLETON.**

## Holiday Club

A Holiday Club for ages 5-11 is taking place on Thursday 8 August from 10am to 3pm at Hambleton Methodist Chapel. The day will be full of activities including games and crafts and lunch is provided. To find out more information or to book your FREE place please call Christine on 229034 or Margaret on 07973 234389.

## School Lunches

The cost of a school lunch is to remain at £2.30. Lunches should always be paid for in advance please by using ParentPay. Reminder to the parents of Year 3 children in September that lunches cost £2.30 per day as Universal free School Meals end in Year 2.

The new Autumn Menu will be uploaded to our school website during August.

### **Book Amnesty - Reminder**

There are over 100 reading books and Accelerated Reader books missing. Please check in cupboards, bags, under beds etc and return any books that belong to school. Of course books are very expensive to replace and we 'lose' a significant number of books throughout the course of the year. The books can be left in the box in the entrance porch; no questions asked! Thank you for helping to recoup as many as possible

We extend our **very best wishes to staff, children and families whose time at Hambleton has come to an end.** We look forward to greeting pupils 'old and new' on **Tuesday 3 September 2019.**

*Have a great Summer holiday! Let's hope for plenty of sunshine.*